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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

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- 1) The amendment to the claims filed on 10 October of 2003 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121<sup>®</sup> because it deletes material from claim 15 without accounting for the material deleted. Specifically, the language "phosphorylated GPCR" has been deleted from claim 15 without employing bracketing or an equivalent marking. Amendments to the claims filed on or after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 CFR 1 .121(c)(1)(ii), which states;
  - (ii) If a claim is amended by rewriting such claim with the same number, the amendment must be accompanied by another version of the rewritten claim, on one or more pages separate from the amendment, marked up to show all the changes relative to the previous version of that claim. A parenthetical expression should follow the claim number indicating the status of the claim, e.g., "amended," "twice amended," etc. The parenthetical expression "amended," "twice amended," etc. should be the same for both the clean version of the claim under paragraph (c)(1)(i) of this section and the marked up version under this paragraph. The changes may be shown by brackets (for deleted matter) or underlining (for added matter), or by any equivalent marking system. A marked up version does not have to be supplied for an added claim or a canceled claim as it is sufficient to state that a particular claim has been added, or canceled.
- 2) Further, the proposed amendment does not resolve the sequence identifier issue raised in section 7 of the previous office action. Correction is required.

- 3) Since the reply filed on 10 October of 2003 appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1 .121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1 . 1 36(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John D. Ulm whose telephone number is (703) 308-4008. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne Eyler can be reached at (703) 308-6564.

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